



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : STUART et al.  
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Title : METHOD FOR VERIFYING PREDETERMINED BEARING  
PRELOAD OF DIFFERENTIAL ASSEMBLY MODULE  
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January 28, 2004

Hon. Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examining the merits of the subject application, please preliminary amend the subject application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 12 of this paper.